



MEMORANDUM

TO: Indiana School Superintendents

FROM: Dr. Tony Bennett, Superintendent of Public Instruction
Dr. Stacey Hughes, Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning
Dr. Schauna Findlay, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

DATE: April 9, 2010

SUBJECT: Classroom Innovation in Mathematics Grant Update

On March 10, the Department of Education released a grant opportunity for Indiana schools. The Classroom Innovation in Mathematics Grant will provide schools the opportunity to pilot digital curricular materials for the 2010-11 school year, in lieu of a traditional textbook. Additional funds have also been included to allow schools to support a digital curriculum with interactive whiteboards and online assessments.

Additional information has been added to the grants webpage, (www.doe.in.gov/olt/classroominnovationgrants.html) in response to feedback we have received from schools. Included in this information is an FAQ about interactive whiteboards and similar technologies, and an updated list of examples of digital curriculum. Although the list has been expanded, it is still not considered to be exhaustive.

We look forward to receiving applications that propose innovative methods in pushing the State towards its goal of 90-25-90.

Applications should be received in hardcopy at the Indiana Department of Education by 4:00PM on Friday, April 16. Applications that fail to meet this deadline will not be scored. Applicants should submit four hard copies to IDOE for review at:

Indiana Department of Education
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